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1 Important safety information

General maintenance

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In the event of any inconsistency between the English version and the translated version, the English version shall prevail.

Caution

- To avoid damage or malfunction:
- Do not expose the product to excessive heat caused by heating equipment or direct sunlight.
- Do not drop the product or allow objects to fall on your player.
- Do not allow the product to be submerged in water. Do not expose headphone socket or battery compartment to water, as water entering the set may cause major damage.
- Active mobile phones in the vicinity may cause interference.
- Back up your files. Ensure that you retain the original files you have downloaded to your device. Philips is not responsible for any loss of data if the product becomes damaged or not readable / legible.
- Manage (transfer, delete, etc.) your music files only with the supplied music software to avoid problems.
- Do not use any cleaning agents containing alcohol, ammonia, benzene, or abrasives as these may harm the product.

About operating and storage temperatures

- Operate in a place where temperature is always between 0 and 35°C (32 to 95°F)
- Store in a place where temperature is always between -20 and 45°C (-4 to 113°F).
- Battery life may be shortened in low temperature conditions.

Replacement parts/accessories:

Visit www.philips.com/support to order replacement parts/accessories.

Hearing Safety

Listen at a moderate volume:
Using headphones at a high volume can impair your hearing. This product can produce sounds in decibel ranges that may cause hearing loss for a normal person, even for exposure less than a minute. The higher decibel ranges are offered for those that may have already experienced some hearing loss.
Sound can be deceiving. Over time your hearing 'comfort level' adapts to higher volumes of sound. So after prolonged listening, what sounds 'normal' can actually be loud and harmful to your hearing. To guard against this, set your volume to a safe level before your hearing adapts and leave it there.
To establish a safe volume level:
Set your volume control at a low setting.
Slowly increase the sound until you can hear it comfortably and clearly, without distortion.
Listen for reasonable periods of time:
Prolonged exposure to sound, even at normally 'safe' levels, can also cause hearing loss.
Be sure to use your equipment reasonably and take appropriate breaks.
Be sure to observe the following guidelines when using your headphones.
Listen at reasonable volumes for reasonable periods of time.
Be careful not to adjust the volume as your hearing adapts.
Do not turn up the volume so high that you can't hear what's around you.
You should use caution or temporarily discontinue use in potentially hazardous situations.
Do not use headphones while operating a motorized vehicle, cycling, skateboarding, etc.; it may create a traffic hazard and is illegal in many areas.

Modifications

Modifications not authorized by the manufacturer may void user's authority to operate the product.

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Data logging

Philips is committed to improving the quality of your product and enhancing the Philips user experience. To understand the usage profile of this device, this device logs some info / data to the non-volatile memory region of the device. These data are used to identify and detect any failures or problems you as a user may experience while using the device. The data stored, for example, will be the duration of playback in music mode, duration of playback in turner mode, how many times battery low was encountered, etc. The data stored do not reveal the content or media used on the device or the source of downloads. The data stored on the device are retrieved and used ONLY if the user returns the device to the Philips service center and ONLY to simplify error detection and prevention. The data stored shall be made available to user on user's first request.

Recycling the product and the built-in battery

Your product is designed and manufactured with high quality materials and components, which can be recycled and reused.
Never dispose of your product with other household waste. Please inform yourself about the local rules on the separate collection of electrical and electronic products and batteries. The correct disposal of these products helps prevent potentially negative consequences on the environment and human health.
Please visit www.recycle.philips.com for additional information on a recycling center in your area.

Caution

- Removal of the built-in battery invalidates the warranty and can destroy the product.

Philips SOUNDDOT

Notice for the USA

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Notice for Canada

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.
The set complies with the FCC-Rules, Part-15 and with 21 CFR 1040.10. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

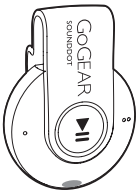
- This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

2 Your new player

What's in the box

Make sure that you have received the following items:

Player



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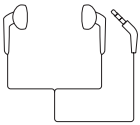

Quick start guide

Safety and Warranty sheet

Note

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PC software for the player

The following PC software can work with SOUNDDOT:

- **Philips Songbird** (helps you update the firmware of the player, and sync songs from your PC music library to the player).

To getPhilips Songbird,

- On your PC, download **Philips Songbird** from www. philips.com/Songbird or www.philips.com/support.

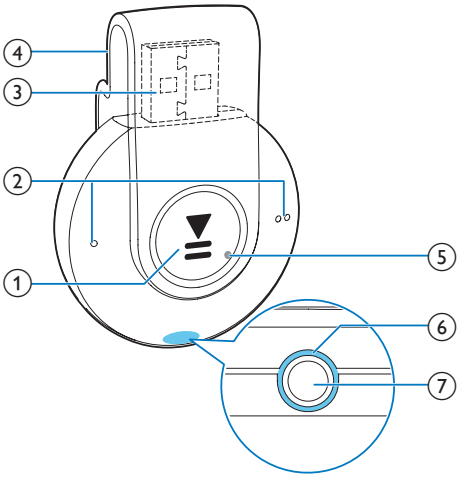
Files loaded on the player

The following files are loaded on **SOUNDDOT**:

- User manual

Overview

Controls



① ▶II

- Press and hold: Switch the player on or off
- Press: Pause/ resume play
- Press twice during play: Switch the random play on or off

② ● / ● ●

- Press: Decrease or increase the volume
- Press and hold: Skip to the previous or next song

③ USB connector for power charging and data transfer

④ Clip

⑤ RESET

- Press the hole by using the tip of a ball pen when the player does not respond to the pressing of keys

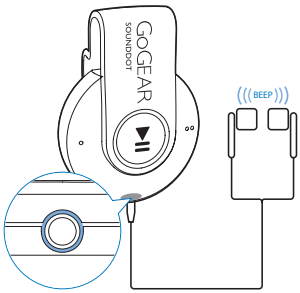
⑥ LED indicator

⑦ 🎧

- 3.5 mm-headphone connector

LED indicator and audio feedback

With the LED indicator and/ or audio feedback, you can know the status of the player.

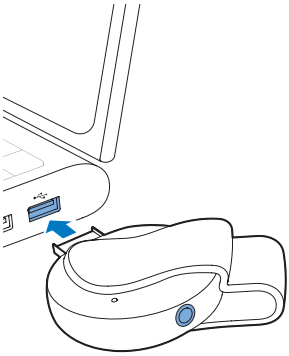


3 Get started

Charge power

SOUNDDOT has a built-in battery that can be charged through the USB socket of a computer.

- Rotate the USB connector to connect **SOUNDDOT** to a PC.
  - ↳ During power charging, the indicator changes its color to denote the battery level.
  - ↳ When the battery is full, the green indicator lights up.

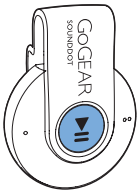


Tip

- When the battery level is lower than 15%, the red indicator flashes and two beeps sound.
- Rechargeable batteries have a limited number of charge cycles. Battery life and number of charge cycles vary by use and settings.

Switch the player on or off

- Press and hold ▶II until the green or red indicator lights up.
  - ↳ **Power on**: The green indicator lights up. Music play starts.
  - ↳ **Power off**: The red indicator lights up. One beep sounds.

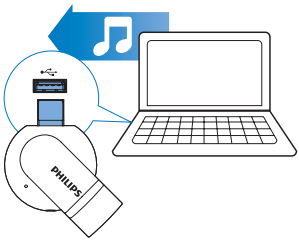


Automatic standby and shut-down

The player has an automatic standby and shut-down feature that can save battery power. After five minutes in idle mode (no play, no button is pressed), the player switches off.

4 Play music

Transfer music to the player



You can transfer music from your PC media library to **SOUNDDOT** in the following ways:

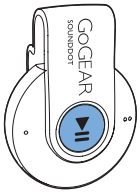
- Drag and drop music files in Windows Explorer;
- Sync through Philips Songbird (see 'Sync with PC music library through Philips Songbird' on page 11).

To drag and drop music files in Windows Explorer,

1 Connect **SOUNDDOT** to a PC.

2 On the PC, under **My Computer** or **Computer**,
   - drag and drop music files from the PC to **SOUNDDOT**.

Play music



1 Make sure that you have switched on the player (see 'Switch the player on or off' on page 9).
   ↳ The green indicator lights up. Music play starts.
   ↳ During music play, the green indicator flashes at intervals.

2 Press ▶II to pause or resume play.

Search for a song

- Press and hold ● / ● ● to skip to the previous or next song.
  ↳ One beep sounds.

Change the volume level

- Press ● / ● ●.
  ↳ During music play, you hear the change of volume level.

Switch the random play on or off

1 During music play, press ▶II twice.
   ↳ You hear two beeps. The green indicator flashes twice at intervals.
   ↳ Songs play in random.

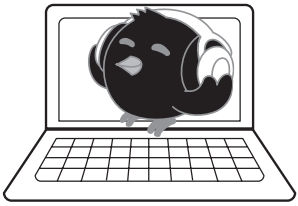
2 To switch off the random play, press ▶II twice again.
   ↳ You hear one beep. The green indicator flashes once at intervals.
   ↳ Songs play in sequence.

5 Sync with PC music library through Philips Songbird

With **Philips Songbird**, you can do the following:

- Manage your music collection on a PC;
- Sync **SOUNDDOT** with your PC music library;
- Register **SOUNDDOT** on www.philips.com/welcome;
- Update the firmware of SOUNDDOT (see 'Update the firmware through Philips Songbird' on page 15);
- Repair SOUNDDOT (see 'Repair the player through Philips Songbird' on page 16).

Install Philips Songbird on your PC



Download Philips Songbirdto your PC

1 Connect your PC to the Internet.

2 From www. philips.com/Songbird or www.philips.com/support, download **Philips Songbird**.

Install Philips Songbirdon your PC

1 Double-click the downloaded .exe file of **Philips Songbird**.
   ↳ A pop-up screen is displayed.

2 Select your language and country.

3 Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the installation.

Note

- The installation requires you to agree to the license terms.

Collect music files from the PC

Set the watch folder

Create a central folder

You can have all music files automatically added to your library when you copy them to a folder. Creating a central folder is recommended. In **Philips Songbird**, set the central folder as the watch folder. Each time you launch **Philips Songbird**, songs are added to/ removed from **Philips Songbird** as they are on the central folder.

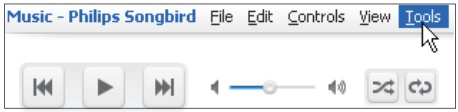
On the PC, create a central folder to save all music files, for example, D:\Songbird media.

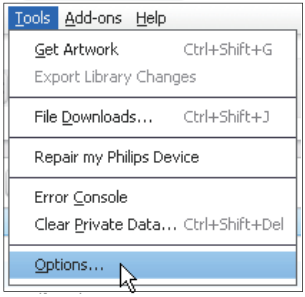
First-time launch

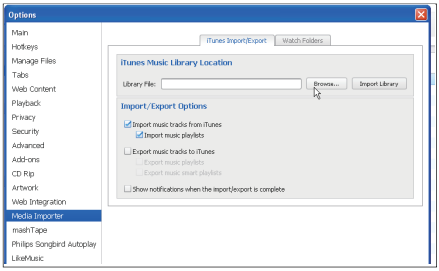
The first time you launch **Philips Songbird** on a PC, do the following as prompted to import existing media files into **Philips Songbird**:

- Select the iTunes media folder to import an existing iTunes library;
- Select the central folder to search and import the existing music files.
   ↳ The central folder is set as the watch folder of **Philips Songbird**.

Set iTunes media folder







1 On **Philips Songbird**, go to **Tools** > **Options...**

2 Select **Media Importer**, and then the **iTunes Importer** tab.

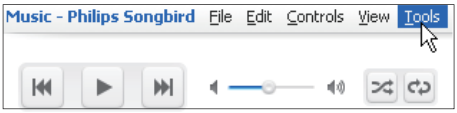
3 Verify your library location and options.

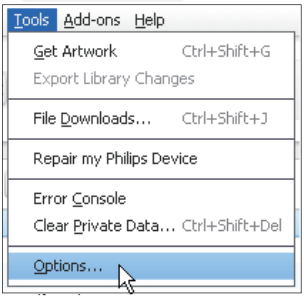
4 Click the **Import Library** button next to the library location.

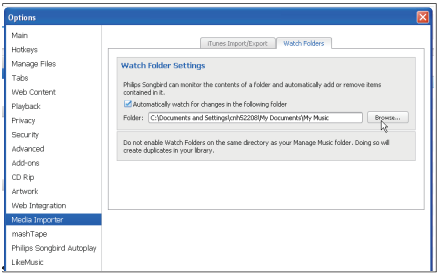
↳ The software imports the iTunes library into **Philips Songbird**.

Set the watch folder

In **Philips Songbird**, set the watch folder as follows:







1 Select **Tools** > **Options**.

2 In **Options**, select **Media Importer**. Then, select the **Watch Folders** tab.

3 In **Watch Folders**, tick the check box as shown.

4 Click **Browse**, and select the central folder (e.g.D:\Songbird media) as the watch folder.

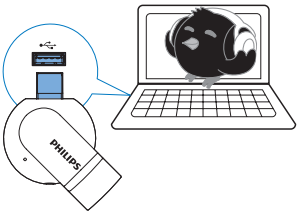
↳ In **Philips Songbird**, media files are added or removed as they are in the central music folder.

Import music files

In **Philips Songbird**,

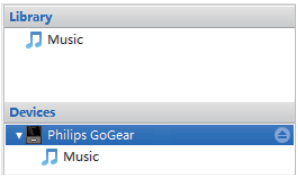
- go to **File** > **Import Media** to select folders on the PC.
  ↳ Music files are added under **Library**.

Sync the player with Philips Songbird



1 On the PC, launch **Philips Songbird**.

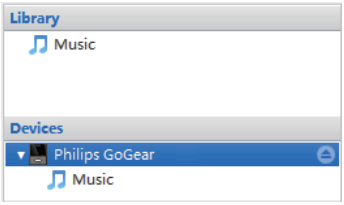
2 Connect the player to the PC.
  ↳ On **Philips Songbird**, the player is displayed when it is recognized by the PC.

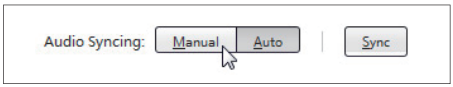


Select auto or manual sync

The first time you connect the player to **Philips Songbird**, select auto sync as prompted. The player sync with **Philips Songbird** automatically. If you do not select auto sync, you switch on the manual sync.

To select auto or manual sync,





1 Select the player under **Devices**.
  ↳ A pop-up screen is displayed.

2 On the pop-up screen, select **Manual** or **Auto**.

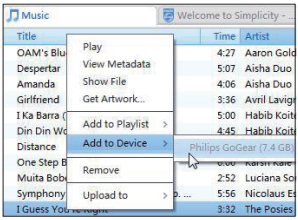
3 To confirm the option, click **Apply**.

Auto sync

- If you have selected auto sync, auto sync starts automatically when you connect the player to a PC;
- Alternatively, select the player under **Devices**, and click **Sync**.

Manual sync

To transfer selected media files manually,



1 On the Content pane, right click on a selected media file.

2 Select **Add to Device** > **SOUNDDOT**.
   ↳ Selected files are transferred to **SOUNDDOT**.

Tip

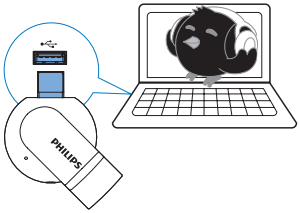
- To select multiple files at the same time, hold down the **Ctrl** button when you click options.

6 Update the firmware through Philips Songbird

SOUNDDOT is controlled by an internal program called firmware. Newer versions of the firmware may have been released after you have purchased **SOUNDDOT**.
Through **Philips Songbird**, you can check for and install firmware updates for **SOUNDDOT** over the Internet.

Tip

- Your music files are not affected by a firmware update.

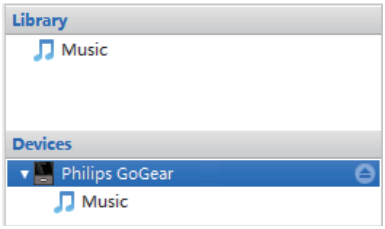


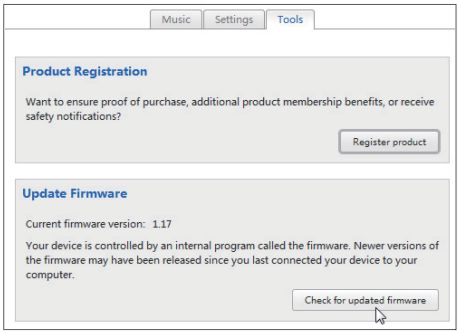
1 Make sure that you have connected your PCto the Internet.

2 Connect **SOUNDDOT** to the PC.

3 On the PC, launch **Philips Songbird**.
   - If necessary, click **Start** > **Programs** > **Philips** > **Philips Songbird**.

4 Click **SOUNDDOT** in the Player pane. Then, select **Tools** > **Check for updated firmware** in the pop-up window.
   ↳ **Philips Songbird** checks for updates from the Internet.





5 Follow the onscreen instructions.
   ↳ Downloading and installation of firmware update start automatically.
   ↳ The **SOUNDDOT** restarts after the firmware is updated and is ready for use again.

Note

- Wait until the update is completed, then disconnect the **SOUNDDOT** from the computer.

7 Repair the player through Philips Songbird

If **SOUNDDOT** is not working properly or the display freezes, you can reset it without losing data:

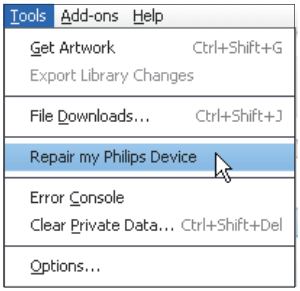
To reset SOUNDDOT?

- Insert a pen tip or other object into the reset hole at the base of **SOUNDDOT**. Hold until the player shuts down.

If you fail to reset the player, repair the player through Philips Songbird:

1 On your PC, launch **Philips Songbird**.
   - If your PC runs Windows 7, launch **Philips Songbird** as administrator. Right-click **Philips Songbird** and select **Run as Administrator**.

2 In **Philips Songbird**,



   - select **Tools** > **Repair my Philips Device**;
   - select **SOUNDDOT** in the pop-up list.

3 Connect the player to the PC.
   - **Make sure that you follow the onscreen instructions on how to connect the player to the PC.**

4 Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the repair.

8 Technical data

Power

- Power supply: 110 mAh Li-ion polymer internal rechargeable battery
- Play time[1]
  Audio (.mp3): up to 6 hours
- Fast charging: 6-minute charging for 60-minute play

Software

- Philips Songbird: To update firmware and transfer music

Connectivity

- Headphone 3.5 mm
- USB 2.0 High speed

Sound

- Channel separation: 45 dB
- Frequency Response: 20-18,000 Hz
- Output power: 2 x 2.4 mW
- Signal to noise ratio: > 84 dB

Audio playback

Supported formats:

- MP3
  Bitrate: 8-320 kbps and VBR
  Sampling rates: 8, 11.025, 16, 22.050, 32, 44.1, 48 kHz
- WMA (unprotected)
  Bitrate: 5-320 kbps
  Sampling rates: 8, 11.025, 16, 22.050, 32, 44.1, 48 kHz
- WAV

Storage media

Built-in memory capacity[2]:

- SA4DOT02 2 GB NAND Flash
- SA4DOT04 4 GB NAND Flash
- SA4DOT08 8 GB NAND Flash

Media transfer[3]

- Windows Explorer (drag and drop)
- Songbird (sync)

Note

- Specifications are subject to change without notice.
- [1] Rechargeable batteries have a limited number of charge cycles. Battery life and number of charge cycles vary by use and settings.
- [2] 1 GB = 1 billion bytes; available storage capacity is less. Full memory capacity may not be available as some memory is reserved for the player. Storage capacity is based on 4 minutes per song and 128-kbps MP3 encoding.
- [3] Transfer speed depends on operating system and software configuration.

PC requirements

- Windows® XP (SP3 or above) / Vista / 7
- Pentium III 800 MHz processor or higher
- 512 MB RAM
- 500 MB hard disk space
- Internet connection
- Windows® Internet Explorer 6.0 or later
- CD-ROM drive
- USB port

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